

## HAVENS ENJOYS BOOM

New York Democrats See in Him a Governor.

## FACTOR IN STATE POLITICS

Supported in a Measure the Policies of Gov. Hughes—Republicans Are Gloomy Over Recent Defeat. Uncle Joe Turns Laugh on Enemy While House Is in Session.

That James S. Havens, Representative from the Thirty-second New York district, will be a contender for the Democratic nomination for governor of that State this year is the belief of many New York Democrats in Congress.

Few of the New York Democrats are talking for publication on the subject, but most of them declare that Mr. Havens' decisive defeat of George W. Aldridge will make him a prominent factor in the politics of the State in the future.

Democrats take the position that Mr. Havens would make a formidable candidate for governor, inasmuch as he supported in a measure, in his recent campaign, the policies of Gov. Hughes.

The Republicans share the feeling of chagrin of their party brethren generally over the defeat of Mr. Aldridge. Not that they regret his fall, but that the defeat will be turned to advantage by the Democrats.

## Bitter in Criticism.

Some of the Republicans are bitter in their criticism. They say that he was advised that his candidacy was ill-timed, and it was pointed out to him that his defeat would react on the party.

No regret was expressed at the White House.

Leaders of the administration insist that Aldridge's defeat cannot be truthfully ascribed to disaffection with the Republican party. They say Havens' victory was won over moral issues.

Republicans admit the results in the Fourth Missouri, the Fourteenth Massachusetts, and the Thirty-second New York districts demonstrate the drift this year is toward Democracy. They admit that unless the tide is turned there will be a Democratic landslide this year.

The Democrats declare that Havens' election amounts to a repudiation of the tariff law and the Federal administration.

## Echoes in the House.

There was an echo of the Havens victory in the House yesterday. Rising in his place, Representative Rucker, of Missouri, with mock seriousness, inquired of the Speaker if the House had heard of the election in the Thirty-second New York district. "Uncle Joe" turned the laugh on the irrepressible Missourian.

"Answering, for one side of the House, the parliamentary inquiry," said "Uncle Joe," slowly and with emphasis, "the chair will state that 'he laughs best who laughs last.'"

The Republican side was tickled and applauded the Speaker fully three minutes.

## TRANSFER BILL THOUGHT SAFE

Author Believes It Will Pass House and Be Favored in Senate.

Representative Wiley, of New Jersey, author of the bill providing for universal transfers over street railway lines in the District, which was reported favorably yesterday by the House District Committee, is confident the measure will pass the House next Monday, which is District day, and hopeful of obtaining favorable action of the Senate in the present session.

Mr. Wiley began his fight for universal transfers four years ago, and has reintroduced the bill at each session since then.

The bill provides that thirty days after its enactment, the street railway companies issue transfers interchangeable from the lines of one company to those of another.

The bill is so worded that a passenger cannot go to a point and return for one fare.

## WICKERSHAM TAKEN TO TASK.

Senator Smith Declares Cotton Inquiry Federal Aid to "Shorts."

Senator Smith, of South Carolina, took the Attorney General to task on the floor of the Senate yesterday for having begun his grand jury inquiry into the bull cotton pool.

He declared that the action of the Department of Justice was the result of complaints by "shorts" seeking to use the Federal government to help them out of a deep hole.

Senator Smith was speaking against Senator Lodge's request for an appropriation of \$50,000 to carry on the high cost of living inquiry. Some of his remarks brought Senator Aldridge to his feet.

"We are told the high cost of living is due to the tariff," said Senator Aldridge. "That statement is true or it is not true. A large part of the American people are interested in finding out if it is true. I believe that an investigation ought to be made on broad, impartial lines."

Senator Smith wanted to know to what Senator Aldridge attributed the high cost of living. The latter replied, the prosperity of the country had increased and the standard of living risen.

## Free Remedy Cures a Life-long Constipation

There may be people who are chronically constipated who still doubt that there is a cure for them, but to convince themselves that there is hope they have only to write for a free sample of a remedy that is curing hundreds of people every day who had been constipated all their life long. And this convincing proof will cost no one a cent.

The remedy that is doing wonderful work in the cure of constipation is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and any one can obtain a bottle for trial by sending name and address to the Dr. Caldwell Medicine Co., of Chicago, Ill. The company will send a bottle of the free sample simply send your name and address on a postal card or otherwise. For further request, the doctor's address is Dr. B. Caldwell, 1133 Caldwell Building, Monticello, Ill.

Cathartic tablets and pills, or of salts and purgative waters, for these are at best only temporary relief.

"First of all, Dr. Caldwell urges the beginner to send for a free sample bottle as in that way he can best prove his claims. Then, the remedy being taken and the doctor's claims proved, you can go to your druggist and buy it in the regular way at 50 cents and \$1 a bottle. It is not only useful to yourself, but to every member of the family, since you can never tell when the youngest or the oldest will need a laxative. Mr. F. Rheam, of Seneca, Mo., and Mrs. S. A. Branstetter, of Chickasha, Okla., always have Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin in the house for the use of the entire family, and both started modestly and skeptically on a free sample bottle. Send for one and try it if you have not used it before."

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## PROTESTS CHIME DONATION.

Manufacturer Avers Plan is to Introduce English Bells.

The Ways and Means Committee of the House gave a hearing yesterday to a bill manufacturer, of Troy, N. Y., who protested against the passage of Senator Lodge's bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to accept a donation of a chime of bells for the Boston custom house. The would-be donor is Mrs. Sarah Cabot Wheelwright, of Boston, a relative of Senator Lodge.

The man from Troy declared that behind the bill was a plan to introduce bells of English manufacture.

## FRIAR LAND SALE INQUIRY.

Resolution Proposes Appointment of Committee to Make Report.

A Congressional investigation into the sale by the government of friar lands in the Philippines is proposed by a resolution introduced yesterday by Representative Martin, of Colorado, who has been fighting the sugar trust. His resolution proposes the creation of a committee of five Senators and five members of the House, six Republicans and four Democrats, to investigate all phases.

The committee is instructed to report upon the convening of the next session of Congress.

Another resolution asking the Secretary of the Treasury for information about the sale was introduced by Representative Slayden, of Texas.

## PROTECTS BANK DEPOSITS.

Bill Makes Officer Felon if He Takes Money in Insolvent Institution.

It will be a felony for any officer of a national bank to receive any deposit of money after such officer has knowledge of the insolvency of the institution with which he is connected, if a bill introduced by Representative Russell, of Texas, and favorably reported yesterday by the House Committee on Banking and Currency, becomes a law. Imprisonment for from two to ten years is specified as punishment.

A bill introduced by Parsons, of New York, to enable the Attorney General to bring out warrants proceedings for the ousting of any officer of a national bank who has violated the currency laws, was also favorably reported by the committee.

## PEACE COURT PLAN APPROVED

Secretary of State Knox Receives Replies from Three Counties.

Tribunal of Arbitral Justice Can Be Established if Six of Eighteen Nations Agree.

Secretary of State Knox's plan for the establishment of a permanent international court of arbitral justice, which was proposed in an identical note forwarded to eighteen powers several months ago, has been cordially received, and Mr. Knox is of the opinion the prospect for its consummation is bright.

Favorable replies have been received from Great Britain, Germany, and France, agreeing to the principles expressed in Secretary Knox's note.

If two-thirds, or even a smaller number, are favorably disposed, the court can be established. Mr. Knox believes the establishment of the proposed court will be a long step toward world peace. Its expenses will be shared jointly by the powers creating it.

## LODGE'S EFFORT NOT SUCCESS.

Again Urges Appropriation to Collect Information on Prices.

Senator Lodge made another unsuccessful effort in the Senate yesterday to pass his resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$50,000 to pay for more than 100 special agents to collect information on prices of commodities.

The opposition to the resolution was as determined as ever and was led by Senator Beveridge (Rep.) and Senator Overman (Dem.).

The Lodge resolution was talked against until 2 o'clock, when the railroad bill, as "unfinished business," was taken up, displacing the Lodge resolution.

## BUTTER AND OLEO FIGHT ON.

Interests Lock Horns Over Bill to Repeal Tax on Lard.

Butter and oleo interests of the country locked horns again yesterday before the House Committee on Agriculture at the first of a series of hearings on bills introduced by Representatives Burleson, of Texas, and Lever, of South Carolina, to repeal the tax on oleo.

Mr. Burleson urged that the tax on oleo be repealed, asserting that the Groulx law had been a failure, and had cost the government more than \$20,000,000 in the eight years it had been on the statute books.

Mr. Lever, author of the remedial legislation on the subject, is a member of the Agriculture Committee. He urged that all oleomargarine, renovated butter, and adulterated butter be classified as meat food products and made subject to the meat inspection laws.

At the session yesterday afternoon, Dr. Wiley, Dr. Crampton, and Dr. Jelke, representing one of the manufacturers of oleomargarine, testified as to the wholesomeness of that product. The butter interests will have their inning to-day.

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## A RETROSPECT.

When I was young I wasn't good; the teacher whaled me all the while; he used up nearly all the wood that he could find within a mile. He used up limbs of stately yews, he wore out sticks of elm and beech; sometimes he hit me with his shoes; he didn't have much time to teach. At night I used to go to bed and plan my vengeance while I wept; "I'll punch that four-eyed teacher's head," I used to murmur, as I slept. But now that I am old and gray, I'd like to grasp that teacher's hand, and tell him that his gentle way was something I can't understand. When I recall the way I tried to aggravate that good old soul, I wonder that he left my hide upon me while he had a pole. And thus it is with many woes; we talk revenge for some affront; but as time flies our anger goes, and so we try some milder stunt. "Our neighbor," we may cry to-day, "has done us a thing of shame," but when our warmth has passed away, we're apt to find we were to blame. And so, when we are making plans to even up some frightful wrong, it's wise to seal our wrath in cans, until a few days slide along.

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WALT MASON.

## MAY CALL IN LAND

House Bill Gives Authority to the President.

## AMENDMENTS VOTED DOWN

First Administration Act on Conservation Passes Lower House of Congress—Has Stormy Time in the Committee of the Whole—Main Features of the Measure.

The first of the administration conservation measures—the bill authorizing the President to make withdrawals in certain cases—was passed by the House yesterday afternoon.

Lack of confidence in the genuineness of the conservation ideas of the Committee on Public Lands, of which Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, is chairman, was demonstrated by the elimination from the measure of the only two committee amendments of importance.

One of them provided: "That such withdrawals shall not affect the legal rights of any settler or entryman acquired prior to such withdrawals," and the other provided that "Upon restoration of any such lands to the United States the equitable rights shall attach as to rival claimants to any bona fide claimant who, prior to such withdrawal, initiated a claim thereto and made valuable improvements thereon."

Many Amendments Offered.

Dozens of amendments of all sorts and kinds were offered by members from the West, who wished to soften the bill and limit its scope in a number of respects. They were invariably unsuccessful, the Democratic strength, with those Republicans who have come to be known as insurgents or progressives, uniformly voting against the regulars who stood by the Public Lands Committee.

After the bill had been reported out of Committee of the Whole—which was not accomplished without much wrangling and voting by tellers—Representative Rucker, of Colorado, and Representative Robinson, of Arkansas, offered substitutes for the bill. They were voted down, as was a motion by Representative Martin, of Colorado, to strike out the enacting clause.

## Western Men Complain.

Bitter complaint was made by Representative Hamer, of Idaho, and others that the conservation policy as it seemed to be interpreted by the House to-day would "make a howling wilderness of the West." But these complaints seemed to have no effect, and the bill, with the elimination of the committee amendments in question, was passed substantially as introduced by Representative Pickett, of Iowa.

There was so much wrangling over this conservation matter that the House did not adjourn until 7:15 o'clock.

The liveliest speech of the day was made by Representative Fitzgerald, of New York, replying to the "wilderness" of the complaints of Western members. Mr. Fitzgerald declared that no attempt was being made to limit the activities of the honest homesteader.

"But an attempt is being made," he said, "to drive out the crooks who have placed their dirty hands on the public domain."

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## NIGHT SESSION TALK HEARD.

Vote on Final Passage of Railway Bill Not Expected Before May 15.

Senate leaders do not expect a vote on the final passage of the administration railway bill in that body before May 15. There are many important speeches yet to be made.

Yesterday the first talk of night sessions was heard in the private conferences of Senators, but no proposal was made in open Senate. The leaders may ask for night sessions soon.

More than an hour was given to discussing a parliamentary situation growing out of a clash between amendments to the same paragraph of the bill offered by Senator Cummins and Senator Crawford. After that matter had been settled Senator Cummins announced that the subject would lead to a long debate.

## COMMITTEE LIKES CIVIL PENSION BILL

Reports Favorably on Age Retirement Plan.

The House Committee on Reform in the Civil Service favorably reported a bill providing for the age retirement of the personnel of the classified civil service, with a compulsory savings plan included.

The bill, which is not intended to establish a civil pension list, is the result of an exhaustive investigation of similar plans in force among foreign governments and corporations, as well as many American industrial institutions.

The measure reported, if enacted into law, would retire on annuities employees whose advanced years have decreased their capacity for service.

Except in the case of those already superannuated or soon to reach that stage, the annuities would be paid by deductions from salaries, which would be returned to employees in the event of resignation, or to their heirs in case of death.

Representative Gillett, of Massachusetts, chairman of the committee, says that he will call the bill up at the first opportunity.

## HENRY FOR SURVEYOR.

Appointment Not Definitely Settled, but Seems Certain.

The surveyorship of the port of New York will be offered to Gen. Nelson H. Henry.

The appointment has not been definitely settled by the President as yet, but it is practically a certainty that he will be named.

## IMPROVEMENTS BILL PASSED.

Senate Approves Representatives' Appropriations.

The Senate late yesterday afternoon passed the rivers and harbors bill, carrying appropriations of about \$2,500,000, including amendments authorizing the expenditure of about \$10,000,000 additional.

It provides for \$250,000 for the improvement of the Anacostia River, \$100,000 more than the House allowed; \$100,000 for the Potomac River at Washington, and \$60,000 for improvements at Alexandria, \$40,000 more than the House provided.

On motion of Senator Nelson, an appropriation of \$11,000 for improvement of the river at Mount Vernon was stricken out.

## Ross P. Andrews Is Recovering.

According to his physician, Dr. R. H. A. Smith, Ross P. Andrews, president of the R. P. Andrews Paper Company, is rapidly recovering from injuries received last Saturday night when he was knocked down by a street car at Eleventh street and Pennsylvania avenue. He received several scalp wounds, which have healed nicely. He is still confined to his bed.

## Election Cases Decided.

Elections Committee No. 3 yesterday announced its decision to allow Representatives Lever and Legare, of South Carolina, to retain their seats in the House. The committee agreed to seat the members because their contestants, R. H. Richardson and George Prioleau, both negroes, did not receive sufficient votes.

## Will Investigate Charges.

Rear Admirals Davis, Barker, and Bradford, U. S. N., have been appointed members of the court of inquiry which will investigate the charges against Commander Frank K. Hill, commanding officer of the gunboat Marietta, of neglecting to take proper care of the vessel.

Lieut. Commander L. A. Boetwick, U. S. N., will act as recorder of the court.

## Slocum Disaster Echo Heard.

An echo of the Slocum disaster that occurred in New York Harbor in June, 1904, was heard in the House Committee on Claims yesterday, when members of the Slocum Survivors Association appeared to urge the passage of the Slocum bill providing for the relief of persons who sustained injuries in the burning of the steamer General Slocum that have made them objects of charity.

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## WOULD ENLIST LADS

Bill Proposes to Establish Boys Scouts of America.

## PLAN COMES FROM ENGLAND

Congress Asked to Charter Eleven Organizations Mostly in the Western States—Gen. Baden-Powell Started Movement Three Years Ago—Popular in Great Britain.

## THE SCOUT LAW.

A scout's honor is to be trusted.

A scout is loyal to his country, his parents, and his employer.

A scout's duty is to be useful and to help others.

A scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other scout.

A scout is courteous to all, and he must not take a reward for being helpful or courteous.

A scout is a friend to animals. He obeys orders of his parents, his patrol leader, or scoutmaster without question. A scout smiles and whistles, obeying cheerfully and readily. He is thrifty.

To make men. That was the gist of a bill introduced in the House yesterday by Congressman Graft, of Illinois. The bill asks for a charter to incorporate the Boy Scouts of America.

The scout movement for boys from twelve to eighteen years of age has already swept England. Over 200,000 youths have enrolled there since Gen. Baden-Powell, seeing the necessity of a more vigorous race of Englishmen, started the work among the lads of the British Isles three years ago. Nearly as many scouts are to be found in other European countries as well as 10,000 in Canada. The movement promises to spread among young America. In fact, there are not a few patrols of boy scouts scattered over the country now, but without organization or a central force to guide them.

Eleven Ask Charter.

Those petitioning for the charter are Senator Gordon, of Mississippi; Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, of Chicago; Colin H. Livingston, of Washington; W. D. Boyce, of Chicago; Col. E. J. Spencer and William H. Thompson, of St. Louis; W. J. Starr, of Madison, Wis.; John A. Brasher, of Allentown, Pa.; and John J. Lewis, of Columbus, Ohio.

The purposes of the scout incorporates are as set forth in the bill. "To organize the boys of the United States into units and systematically to teach them patriotism, discipline, obedience, courage, self-reliance, self-control, gallantry, courtesy, thrift, usefulness, helpfulness, and cheerfulness, in order to supplement existing educational advantages for boys."

W. D. Boyce, an ardent advocate of outdoor life, brought the idea to America from England. Mr. Boyce, who is stopping at the Willard at present, claims no originality in his connection with the movement, his intention being merely to borrow the English idea and Americanize it.

Tells of London Incident.

"I never heard of the Boy Scouts until last December," said Mr. Boyce. "I was trying to find my way across a London street in a fog. A little lad of twelve noticed my futile efforts, and led me with a lantern in the right direction. I thanked him and offered him a penny. But he said: 'Thank you, sir, but I am a Boy Scout, and we never take tips for doing kind acts.'"

"What are the Boy Scouts?" I asked him in surprise. Then he told me that all Boy Scouts were in honor bound to do one kind act every day. Further information from the lad led me to decide to start the Boy Scout movement among American boys. Mind you, it is not a reform institution. We take only boys of good character. And there is not to be profit in the work for anybody except the boys."

## FIGHTS EXTRADITION EFFORT.

Hofstet Gets Writ of Habeas Corpus in New York.

New York, April 20.—Following the action of Gov. Hughes, who to-day at Albany granted the requisition of the governor of Pennsylvania for the extradition of F. N. Hofstet, president of the Pressed Steel Car Company, attorneys for Hofstet immediately upon his arrest by detectives from the district attorney's office, procured a writ of habeas corpus from the Federal courts upon which they propose to fight the effort to remove the prisoner to Pittsburgh.

Mr. Hofstet, who is the president of one of the Pittsburgh banks alleged to have given large sums to members of the Pittsburgh council for the privilege of securing the city deposits, is charged with grafting conclusions in the Imperial Hotel, in this city, \$40,000 for division among the various members of council. Judge Holt fixed bail for Hofstet at \$10,000, and said he would hear arguments upon the writ Friday.

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